

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Board of Directors	<b>Session #:</b>	1	<b>Report #:</b>	1
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Nadine Day	<b>Vice Chair:</b>			
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Chris Colburn	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	8/17/2015 8:30pm EDT		

## Motions Passed:

1. MSA to approve the 6/15/2015 Board of Directors Conference Call minutes.
2. MSA to approve the 5/18/2015 Board of Directors Conference Call minutes as amended.

**Number of committee members present: 22**                      **Absent: 5**                      **Number of other delegates present: 0**

**Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):** Nadine Day - President called the meeting to order at 8:31 pm EDT. Also present were: Ed Tsuzuki - VP of Administration; Chris McGiffin - VP of Programs; Chris Stevenson - VP of Local Operations; Chris Colburn – Secretary; Phil Dodson – Treasurer; Patty Miller - Legal Counsel; At-Large Directors: Bruce Hopson (Breadbasket); Dave Diehl (Colonies); Sean Fitzgerald (Dixie); Dan Cox (Great Lakes); Sarah Welch (Northwest); Leianne Crittenden (Oceana); Jill Gellatly (South Central); and Laura Winslow (Southwest); Rob Butcher – Executive Director; Past Presidents: Jeff Moxie, Rob Copeland, Jim Miller, Nancy Ridout and Ted Haartz; Dave Coddington (USA Swimming Liaison to USMS);

Not present: Jody Smith -VP of Community Services; Past Presidents: Mike Laux, Dan Gruender, and Tom Boak. Mel Goldstein is recused from the Board due to his contractor position with USMS.

Guests: none.

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:31pm EDT.

1. **MSA to approve the 6/15/2015 Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes.** The Board of Directors entered Executive Session at 8:33pm EDT to discuss the 5/18/2015 Board Conference Call Minutes. The Board exited Executive Session at 8:36pm EDT. **MSA to approve the 5/18/2015 Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes as amended.**
2. Nadine brought up two items related to events taking place at convention related to event fees and Swimming Saves Lives. Phil provided details on the Swimming Saves Lives activity. Discussion centered around the time period covered for 2015 SSL donations. Rob Butcher informed the board on the communications that will be provided to the House of Delegates about the activity. Dave Diehl and Phil supported the idea of donating part of their travel reimbursements to SSL.
3. National Office Report (Rob Butcher): The office move is going well. Bill will move in December, and the rest of the staff will be moving into the January timeframe. Rob informed the Board about his current living arrangements.
4. Summer Nationals (Ed): Event went well. Ed was impressed with the event hosts and the facility. It was a pleasure and honor to represent USMS on behalf of Nadine. Ed wants to speak with Championship about the Welcoming meeting, since only about three swimmers attended. There is a question related to its relevance with the prevalence of pre-meet communications. There were no protests and very few complaints. Nancy mentioned and Ed agreed that the meet was one of the best she has seen with respect to the speed of results and reporting. The Spire staff was very well organized throughout the meet. Nadine thanked Ed for standing in for her.
5. Worlds in Kazan (Nadine): 35 USMS swimmers attended, and won 19 gold, 19 silver, and 19 bronze medals. The hosts were very hospitable, and the meet was well run, despite being behind the timeline. The timeline delays had to do with the timeline design and the extended awards presentation, which was similar to that of the elite swimmers. During the elite meet, Nadine volunteered as a PT for some of the CCCAN nations who didn't have their own staffs. Nadine met with the French and Russian Masters presidents, and had a nice discussion learning more about their federations and how we can collaborate with them. Their funding and governance structures are much different from ours. Russian Masters members number about 2000, and their fees run about \$10/year (expensive for them).
6. Next call will be September 21, 2015 at 8:30pm EDT. The preliminary budget should be ready by that time for Board review in advance of Convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Colburn, Secretary